GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3546
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2001
ASSISTANCE TO RED CROSS SOCIETY
RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central assistance given to the Indian Red Cross Society during the last two years and current year;

(b) whether the Indian Red Cross Society has demanded more central assistance; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a): The Central assistance given to the Indian Red Cross Society during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Amount
1998-1999	Rs.29,45,000/-
1999-2000	Rs.36,34,000/-
2000-2001	Rs.38,05,000/-

(b)&(c): The proposal of IRCS NewDelhi requesting for recurring grant of Rs.5.25 lakhs per month for free supply of blood to Thalassemia patients has just been received by the Government (NACO).